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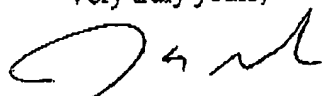
Re: Enclosed 1 Amendment  
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/839,298  
Docket No. NEC01P030-HSc

Dear Scott:

*copy of the filed Amendment which we filed on May 27, 2003*  
We enclose a *Amendment* for the above-identified patent application.

Thank you in advance for your consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,

  
James E. Howard

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Enclosure

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE****In re Application of**

Michitaka Urushima

**Serial No.:** 09/839,298**Group Art Unit:** 2829**Filed:** April 23, 2001**Examiner:** Geyer, Scott B.**For:** SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND MANUFACTURING METHOD OF THE  
SAMEHonorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 26, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Claims 1-9, 25-26 and 28-31 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 2-3 and 6-7 have been amended to more clearly define the invention. Claims 1, 3, 5-8 and 25 are independent.

Applicant thanks Examiners Geyer and Cuneo for the courtesies extended to Applicant's representative during a personal interview on May 27, 2003. During the personal interview, the Examiners agreed that none of the applied references teaches or suggests an adhesive layer, although the Examiners requested further language clarifying that feature of the claimed invention. Applicant is currently considering that request.